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SUBJ: IAEA ADVISORY GROUP MEETING ON STATES SYSTEMS OF ACCOUNTING
AND CONTROL, BRNO, CSSR, JULY 21-25, 1975

1. FOLLOWING REPORT PREPARED BY J. MAHY (ERDA),
CURRENTLY IN VIENNA.

2. WEEK-LONG MEETING, CHAIRED BY IAEA INSPECTOR GENERAL
ROMETSCH, CONCLUDED WITH CONSIDERABLE AGREEMENT AMONG
ALL PARTICIPANTS ON DRAFT IAEA DOCUMENT RE SUBJECT.
PARTICIPANTS WERE AUSTRALIA, AUSTRIA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA,
FRANCE, JAPAN, FRG, UK, USA AND USSR. SWEDEN WAS
INVITED BUT DID NOT ATTEND. GENERAL TONE OF MEETING
WAS CONSTRUCTIVE AND COOPERATIVE.

3. STANDARD FOR MEETING WAS SET BY R.G. PAGE (NRC)
PAPER DEALING U.S. REGULATORY ACCOUNTANCY REQUIREMENTS.
NO OTHER PAPERS GIVEN. PAGE'S EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE
AND KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT WERE MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO
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SUCCESS OF MEETING.

4. FRG (GUPTA, HEIL) AND UK (HUGES, ELLINGSEN) ROLE WAS GENERALLY TO SOFTEN SUGGESTIONS FOR STRICT DOMESTIC CONTROLS. MAJOR DEBATE AROSE WHEN THEY OPPOSED INCLUSION OF TABLE SHOWING EXAMPLE OF TIGHT U.S. MUF LIMITS OF ERROR FOR NUCLEAR MATERIAL BALANCES IN TYPICAL PROCESSES. THEY EVENTUALLY ACKNOWLEDGED CONCERN THAT INCLUSION SUCH FIGURES COULD CAUSE PRESSURE ON INDUSTRIES IN "OTHER COUNTRIES" TO COME UP TO THOSE STANDARDS. BY FINAL CONSENSUS, TABLE WILL APPEAR IN AGENCY DOCUMENT WHICH WILL EVENTUALLY BE PUBLISHED AS A GUIDE FOR STATES IN SETTING UP DOMESTIC SAFEGUARDS ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEMS (PARALLELLING "GREY BOOK" ON DOMESTIC PHYSICAL PROTECTION RECOMMENDATIONS).

5. FRANCE (ROUSSEL, LECOMPTE) PLAYED IMPORTANT AND GENERALLY CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE. SINGLE JAPAN ATTENDEE (SASAKI) IS JUNIOR MEMBER IN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION DIV., AEB TOKYO SAID NOTHING DURING ENTIRE MEETING. F. BETT, AUSTRALIA AND F. KLINK, CZECHOSLAVAKIA MADE MANY CONSTRUCTIVE CONTRIBUTIONS. USSR DELEGATE, E. LEVSHIN, IS NEW IN SAFEGUARDS (FORMERLY IN FAST REACTOR WORK AT OBNINSK INST. OF PHYSICS) AND EXPECTS TO BE ASSIGNED TO SOVIET MISSION IN VIENNA IN ABOUT SIX MONTHS, TO BE INVOLVED IN SAFEGUARDS MORE CLOSELY. LABOWITZ

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